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Hereward Lester Cooke Foundation records

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Hereward Lester Cooke Foundation records
<b>Date:</b>	1973-1989
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.herelest
<b>Creator:</b>	Hereward Lester Cooke Foundation
<b>Extent:</b>	1.6 Linear feet
<b>Language:</b>	English .

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Donated 1990 by W.T.M. Beale, a trustee of the Foundation who maintained the records from its inception.

### Related Materials

Ca. 1,000 files on rejected applicants located at National Museum of American Art Library, Vertical Files.

### Restrictions

Use of original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C., Research Center. Contact Reference Services for more information.

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## Biographical / Historical

Arts foundation, Washington, D.C. Supported "visual artists in mid-career." Founded in honor of Hereward Lester Cooke, an artist and Curator of Painting at the National Gallery of Art.

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## Scope and Contents

Files on the history of the foundation, sponsors, trustees, and advisory committees; declaration of trust and by-laws; appeal letters, 1974-1989; letters to the advisory committee, 1974-1988; press releases and publicity; financial statements, 1974-1987; application forms; correspondence with applicants; records of applications, 1976-1988; letters of regret to applicants; letters confirming awards; files on 46 Cooke Fellows, 1975-1988; and miscellany.

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## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Art -- Scholarships, fellowships, etc  
Middle aged persons

Names:

Cooke, Hereward Lester